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SUBJECT: REIMBURSABLE DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM: U.S. CUSTOMS

REF: A) LOU TEHRAN 02748, B) STATE 59230

1. INFORMATION ON TRAINING IS NOT THE SOLE PURPOSE OF MEEHAN TRIP AS SUGGESTED BY REFTTEL A). U.S. CUSTOMS ADVISES THAT THE VISIT IS DESIGNED TO DEAL WITH MATTERS OF A BROADER SCOPE AS PER REFTTEL A) PARA 6, AND WELCOMES OPPORTUNITY TO DISCUSS SAME WITH CONCERNED EMBASSY AND GOI OFFICIALS.

2. WITH REFERENCE TO CONVERSATION BETWEEN U.S. COMMISSIONER CHASEN AND MR. SHAHANDEH OF IRAN, U.S. CUSTOMS REAFFIRMS THE IMPORTANCE AND NECESSITY OF FULL COOPERATION AND FOLLOW-
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UP EXPRESSED BY MR. SHAHANDEH.

3. U.S. CUSTOMS ASSISTANCE FOR IRAN CUSTOMS WAS RECENTLY DISCUSSED IN INTER AGENCY MEETING HELD IN WASHINGTON AT THE DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE BETWEEN REPRESENTATIVES OF U.S. CUSTOMS, U.S. STATE DEPARTMENT, USAID AND COMMERCE JOINT COMMITTEE ON APRIL 3 IN WHICH TOPIC WAS FEASIBILITY OF

BROAD BASED U.S. CUSTOMS INPUTS FOR IRAN CUSTOMS IMPROVEMENT WITHIN FRAMEWORK OF U.S. IRAN JOINT COMMISSION ON ECONOMIC COOPERATION.

4. IN SUPPORT OF THIS CONCEPT, MEEHAN PREPARED TO DISCUSS METHODS BY WHICH U.S. CUSTOMS CAN PROVIDE ASSISTANCE, ON A REIMBURSABLE BASIS, IN UP-GRADING AND IMPROVING IRAN CUSTOMS SERVICE, SUCH AS TRAINING, ADVISORY ASSISTANCE, TDY DETAILS OF COMMUNICATIONS EXPERTS, DEVELOPMENT OF BORDER, AIRPORT AND SEAPORT CONTROLS, AND FACILITATION OF CLEARANCE PROCEDURES. MEEHAN WILL DEVELOP A FRAME OF REFERENCE FOR A SUBSEQUENT U.S. CUSTOMS SURVEY OF IRANIAN CUSTOMS WHICH WOULD FORMALLY IDENTIFY THEIR NEEDS.

5. WITH THIS PURPOSE IN MIND, U.S. CUSTOMS REQUESTS MISSION CONCURRENCE TO MEEHAN VISIT. IF APPROVED, ITINERARY WILL FOLLOW. VANCE

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